

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: K. AOTA, et al.
Serial No.: 10/560,225
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For: FRICTION STIRRING-WELDING METHOD
Group AU: 1793
Examiner: Kiley Shawn Stoner
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AMENDMENT

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April 10, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 10, 2007, the period for response having been extended for three (3) months by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.